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Cc: R8EISC[R8EISC@epa.gov]
From: Brogden, Rose
Sent: Thur 8/13/2015 4:24:14 PM
Subject: Fw: ... find results of chemical testing by EPA... Form submission from: Emergency Response to Gold King Mine Release Contact Us About Emergency Response to the Gold King Mine Release form

From: Mary Gillam <gillam@rmi.net>
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 3:34 PM
To: R8EISC
Subject: RE: ... find results of chemical testing by EPA... Form submission from: Emergency Response to Gold King Mine Release Contact Us About Emergency Response to the Gold King Mine Release form

Dear Ms. Brogden,

I'd already visited this website but it doesn't have the water and sediment chemistry data I was looking for (I just checked again). That's why I asked/commented yesterday. I understand some test data is available but EPA hasn't released it to the public, though evidently it's been released to media and government entities that are summarizing it for nonscientists in very general form. As a scientist, I'd like to see the original data. An online TV report actually has a link to an early EPA testing document, and a High Country News article contains one diagram from that document. More than a week after the initial release, EPA should be posting the data on its website as it becomes available.

Please log this message and my earlier ones as complaints about EPA transparency. I realize that EPA is responding to many facets of the problem but posting a document on your website should be easy.

Sincerely,
Mary Gillam

-----Original Message-----

From: Brogden, Rose [mailto:Brogden.Rose@epa.gov] On Behalf Of R8EISC
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 8:33 AM
To: gillam@rmi.net
Cc: R8EISC
Subject: Re:... find results of chemical testing by EPA... Form submission from: Emergency Response to Gold King Mine Release Contact Us About Emergency Response to the Gold King Mine Release form

Hello,

The US EPA has prepared the following information resource:

EPA is committed to working closely with response agencies and state and local officials to ensure the safety of citizens, respond to concerns and to evaluate impact to water contaminated by the Gold King Mine Release. EPA is sharing information as quickly as possible with the public as experts work to evaluate any effects the spill may have on drinking water, public health, agriculture, fish and wildlife.

Please see our website for the latest information:

<http://www2.epa.gov/goldkingmine> Regular updates will be posted as they are available.
EPA Hotline: 844-607-9700 (toll-free)

From: drupal_admin@epa.gov <drupal_admin@epa.gov> on behalf of EPA <drupal_admin@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 1:07 AM
To: R8EISC
Subject: Form submission from: Emergency Response to Gold King Mine Release
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Submitted on 08/12/2015 9:07PM
Submitted values are:

Name: Mary Gillam
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Comments: Where can I find results of chemical testing by EPA? Some media and governments appear to have limited access; why not the rest of us? Even as EPA gears up to deal with the mess, the lack of transparency is mystifying.